object which has been proclaimed to be useful. The House will be pleased to take all these things into consideration in voting for or against it.

President.—Now that the resolution and the amendment have been fully discussed, I shall, as stated in para 107(2), of the Council Manual, put them to the votes of the Council. The resolution moved is:—

"This Council recommends to the Government "that a grant-in-aid of not less than Rs. 5,000 be given "to the Cochin Central Co-operative Institute for "1101 M. E. in order to enable the Institute to "carry on successfully its educational and propaganda "work in the field of co-operation in the State".

The amendment brought forward is:—

"This Council recommends to the Government "that a grant-in-aid of not lest than Rs. 1,000 be given "to the Cochin Central Co-operative Institute for "1101 M. E. in order to enable the Institute to "carry on successfully its educational and propaganda "work in the field of co-operation in the State".

I shall first put the amendment to vote. Those who are in favour of the amendment will please raise their hands. Those against will now kindly do the same. The amendment is rejected, as the majority is against it.

The resolution also was then put to vote and it was carried by a majority.

President.—We shall now pass on to the next resolution. Probably, there may not be enough time to conclude the discussion of that resolution. Whatever could be done till 5 p. m. we shall do. Whatever remains undone may be adjourned for tomorrow. The resolution stands in the name of Mr. Sankara Puduval.

Mr. A. SANKARA PUDUVAL (*Trichur*).

Sir, I beg leave to move the following resolution:—

"This Council recommends that the usual working "hours in all Primary Schools of the State, under "Government control, be reduced to 4 periods of "45 minutes each, commencing from 7-30 a. m."

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As I said, in the general discussion, there are over 700 Primary Schools in the State.

Mr. C. MATTAI (*Director of Public Instruction*).

No. I meant all the three sorts combined. All the 700 a re not recognised.

Mr. A. SANKARA PUDUVAL (*Trichur*).

That is one for every square mile of land, excluding forests. So, it may not be difficult for the students to go and attend classes at 7-30. There is no necessity for cramming the minds of little children with unnecessary knowledge and, on high authority, I learn that 3 hours' nstruction imparted is just enough to meet all present irequirements. This method has another advantage in that it enables us to solve the problem of accommodation. By holding morning classes for the Primary section, that is from 7-30 to 10-30 or so, another set of classes could be held in the same building from 11 o'clock onwards. This experiment is now being carried on, both in the Ernakulam High School and at Chalakkudi, a set of classes being held in the morning and another in the afternoon. It is not necessary to torture the brains of these little ones from 10-30 a. m. to 4-30 p. m. If classes be held for them in the morning, they could spend the remainingtime usefully at home.

President.—Is it for 3 hours or for 4 periods of 45 minutes ?

Mr. A. SANKARA PUDUVAL (*Trichur*).

Yes. In these circumstances, I request the honourable members to accept this resolution.

Mr A. B. SALEM (*Jews*).

I second this resolution, but I request the mover whether he would accept 8-30 a.m. as the time of beginning.

President.—Are you supporting the resolution as it is, or are you not ?

Mr. A. B. SALEM (*Jews*):

I support only the first part of the resolution, that is, to hold morning classes in the Primary department.

President.—If you could not support the resolution in its entirety, you could not second it. Nobody seconds the resolution. Therefore the resolution may be taken as lost.

The Council rose for the day as it was 5 p. m.

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